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Maryland Correctional Institution for Women and the Maryland State Department of Education to Hold Educational and Community Resources for Reentry Fair

TOWSON, MD (May 6, 2008)---In an effort to prepare female offenders at the Maryland Correctional Institution for Women (MCIW) for successful reentry and job hunting, a resource fair will be held on **Wednesday, May 7 from 8am to 3pm** at the institution.

Half of all incarcerated individuals will eventually return to society. The Maryland Division of Correction, along with the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services, strives to ensure those ex-offenders do not return to their former criminal ways. Educational and occupational programs are one of the best avenues to preparing an ex-offender to return to their community with the tools necessary to lead productive, law-abiding lives.

Media is invited to attend this event; please RSVP ahead of time to one of the numbers above for entrance to the facility. Photo ID is required. Please see the attached release from MSDE with more information on the event and participants.

WHAT: Inmates from the academic and occupational education

programs are being prepared for successful reintegration into the highly competitive job market. *The event offers an*

opportunity to interview and film some of the

participants, potential employers, and representatives

of sponsoring organizations.

WHEN: Wednesday, May 7, 2008 8:00 AM -3:00 PM

WHERE: Maryland Correctional Institution for Women (MCIW)

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